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## (54) METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LASER DICING OF WAFERS

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#### (57)ABSTRACT

A method includes cutting a semiconductor wafer on a substrate wafer using at least one laser. By setting the laser to a set of parameters that define a laser beam, the laser beam can avoid ablation of the substrate wafer. The laser beam is also set equal to, or within, an ablation threshold of the semiconductor wafer for selectively ablating the semiconductor wafer. The set of parameters includes wavelength, pulse width and pulse frequency.

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